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BURNS-BEND ROAD IDEAL

pression of C. C. Chapman in Recent Issue
Oregonian---Auto Trucks to be put on Route
Information From Our Agricultural College.

his trip to Burns, George R. Samson of the animal husbandry department of the Oregon Agricultural College.

"This coarseness should not be allowed to become extreme. The fleece should be thick and clean; the fibers should be strong, bright and free from dark or diseased spots. In the medium wools a thicker fleece is desirable--thick enough to turn rain. The fibers, as in the long wools, should be relatively long, clean, lustrous and contain no abundance of grease.

"To examine a fleece, the portion just over the heart is noted to discover the finest wool, and that on the leg for the coarsest. There should be as little difference in the fleece on these parts as possible. To open the fleece, place both hands, palm down, on the fleece and, shoving down slightly, pull the hands apart. This breaks the fleece without tearing. If the fleece is heavy it breaks on a smoother line than if light, when the fibers are quite likely to be intertangled."

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

(Portland Correspondent)
A step of permanent constructive benefit was that taken last Saturday night at the Portland Commercial Club, when business men gathered at a dinner to discuss the benefits of recent excursions to Klamath Falls, Central Oregon and Aberdeen, Wash.

The big dining room was filled by men of affairs and the experiences given and the policy outlined for future excursions were of great value.

The meeting developed into a symposium on the attitude of Portland business men to outside territory in the two states and was a survey of conditions existing from Aberdeen to Klamath and in Central Oregon. The result will be a closer tie between Portland and the outlying country and this promises to be of great aid in future development.

Redmond will hold a potato show on November 2. This is the date the O.-W. R. & N. demonstration train arrives at Redmond and the two events will

undoubtedly bring a very large number of farmers from the surrounding country to Redmond. At the same time a meeting of dairymen will be held to organize an association.

The joint line of the Oregon Trunk and the Deschutes Railroad will be open to passenger and freight traffic to Bend from the Columbia River on November 1. The new lines are now operating to Opal City.

An apple tree near Albany has been sold for \$600. It is ever-bearing, maturing fruit at all seasons of the growing period, with buds, blossoms and apples on the tree at the same time. A nursery company has bought the tree and will try to establish a everbearing variety.

The program has just been made up for the first annual convention of the Oregon State Hotel Men's Association, which will be held in the convention hall of the Portland Commercial Club on December 5 and 6. The hotel men will discuss matters of mutual interest and seek ways to increase tourist travel to this state from California and the East.

Lakeview will add agriculture to its high school course as soon as its new building is finished. This is a new and important feature of the course of study and one that progressive communities are adopting.

SUNSET NEWS NOTES.

Walter and John Hodder have started work on the ranch up the river, which they leased a short time ago of James Fellows.

I. S. Tyler made final proof on his homestead last week. Even though Mr. Tyler now has title to his land, he will continue to be a Sunset farmer and shows his good faith in the country by planting 90 acre of fall grain.

M. J. Nash, has completed his potato harvest. We did not learn how much they made to the acre, but are told that the yield was satisfactory and the quality very fine.

Little Donald Porter received a painful accident one day last week, while playing around a grain drill. His fingers were caught in some cogs, one finger was badly crushed and nearly severed from his hand. Donald won't play marbles any more this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Eggleston and family returned from the John Day country Sunday, where they have been on business and for fruit.

Sunset is to have a Grange. A meeting will be held at the school house on Saturday afternoon Nov. 4, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing. There seems to be considerable enthusiasm concerning it and it promises to be a success in Sunset.

STUDY STATE BUILDING

Portland Business Men Are Getting
Better Acquainted Here

RECENT TRIP OPENS THEIR EYES

Needs of Central Oregon Brought Home to Them by
Central Oregon Development League, as Well as
Great Future of This Empire Yet to be Developed.

An illustrated writeup in last Sunday's Oregonian gives some impressions of the writer while in Burns during the development meeting. The views are from photos taken in this city and vicinity. The writer says:

Portland business men are going to a new school these days and they are proving apt pupils at their new studies. The school is their great big broad state. The studies are its resources, its activities, its problems, its needs. And there are no teachers except the people of the state themselves, the farmers who are the backbone of the state, the merchants, the bankers, the lawyers, the lumbermen, the men whom the Portland business men meet on their trips throughout the state at large, the "get acquainted" trips, which originated with the Portland Commercial Club and which promises to do much toward cementing the friendly relations of the city and its friends and neighbors in the state.

At the Burns banquet, which closed the meeting of the Central Oregon Development League, V. L. Snelling was delivering one of the wittiest speeches that the Portland business men had ever heard. They had all heard Colonel Wood and Colonel Wheelwright too.

"As I sat here tonight," said Mr. Snelling, "I heard some very agreeable as well as surprising news. I have lived in Lake county for 30 or 40 years. I had always imagined that Lake county was bounded on the south by California and Nevada, on the east by Idaho, and on the north and west by Oregon. Much to my gratification I learned here tonight that Lake County is really a part of Oregon, an integral part of a great big, rich, powerful and influential state."

The Portland men enjoyed Snelling's sarcasm. They realized it had point, that perhaps their own ideas of geography had been vague and hazy and they were glad indeed that they had started out on their "see America first" tour by "seeing Oregon first". And they found plenty to see in Central Oregon and many lessons to learn and many problems to consider. They say the thriving towns of Redmond, Prineville, Bend and Burns all built up before the arrival of the railroad. They journeyed to Burns and at the sessions of the Central Oregon Development League listened and pondered on the problems connected with the development of that vast interior empire, embracing within its boundaries an area equal to the combined acreage of the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Rhode Island and Ohio, which is awaiting settlement.

Within the past year this vast realm has been made accessible to the homesteader by the completion of two lines of railroads, piercing to its very heart from the great highway of the Columbia River. This great expanse of agricultural land is the last real Western frontier, and today

practically all the assistance required.

In order to inter at Portland people, as well as others in the resources of Central Oregon, it is felt that a broad campaign of publicity must be conducted. Nothing but the truth regarding central Oregon is needed, it is felt, to bring to it the financial assistance necessary for its development. So that this publicity may be sent out in such form as to carry conviction, it is hoped that the state itself will take an active part in it. Those interested in Central Oregon believe that some state official should be placed at the head of a bureau of information, and that no exploitation of Central Oregon should be permitted that has not the indorsement of this state department.

Once the true resources of Central Oregon are known, and this information given general circulation, the absolute need of the completion of irrigation projects will be understood. For various reasons irrigation projects in Central Oregon have been allowed to either lapse or to proceed so slowly as to be virtually worthless to settlers. Statisticians show that although Oregon has contributed in round figures \$14,043,000 to Federal irrigation work the Government has spent but \$3,929,000 within the state's borders.

The manifest unfairness of this is deeply felt by the friends of Central Oregon, who realize that the potential values of the agricultural land in this section of the state far exceed in every way the values of similar land in Washington, the fame of the Yakima Valley, in Central Washington, has depended entirely upon the irrigation projects which the government has so lavishly furnished Oregon's northern neighbor. Central Oregon believes that it should have the same treatment accorded it, and the Central Oregon Development League has demanded that Secretary Fisher, of the Interior Department, investigate their demands, and take such action as will bring back to this state in constructive outlay at least as much money as Oregon has given the Federal government from the sale of its public lands.

While the present roads and highways in Central Oregon are in better average condition than those to the west of the Cascades, improvements must be made before these lines of traffic will become adequate feeder systems to the projected railroad lines. With the extensions of the transportation systems, new roads will have to be graded, so that the homesteaders of the future will be able to get their produce to market. Ochoco and McKay Creek valleys, in Crook County, last year produced over 55,000 tons of hay. The transportation of this crop to the railroads would be a serious and costly problem, and is but one example of the need of betterment and extension of both vehicular highways and railroads.

With this great farming country now awaiting the advent of homesteaders, it is evident that the greatest scientific skill must be used to bring forth from the soil the most abundant of crops. To aid in this it is desired that the state maintain agricultural experiment stations. Excellent work has been done in arousing interest of school children in agriculture by Miss Jessie Viola Hartley, a teacher in charge of the school at Paulina. Voluntarily this young woman is conducting an experiment garden, and is doing much to stimulate in farming among the young people of her district.

The extension of the work of the State Agricultural College, the establishment of experiment stations under state as well as

Federal control, will enable the future farmers to get better results from their efforts; and the gaining of these extensions is now being actively sought by the Central Oregon Development League. In addition to this it is desired that agricultural studies be taken up in the public schools, so that the farmers' children

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